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SOURCE:

1. In early April 1953, the Chinese Communist Ministry of Public Security instructed public security units in various large metropolitan areas to approve, except in special cases, mainland exit applications of foreign nationals and to accord these nationals exit facilities.<sup>2</sup>
2. These instructions were part of a Chinese Communist policy to relax controls over nationals of non-Communist countries who were resident on the mainland.

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- 25X1A 2. [REDACTED] Comment. Residence and travel regulations governing aliens in Shanghai in late 1952 were discussed in [REDACTED]. According to that report, exit regulations for foreign nationals were strict, particularly for Americans, and an exit permit was never granted an alien until his complete personal history had been carefully reviewed. [REDACTED] from another usually reliable source, reported that in early 1953 an employee of the American Express Company in Shanghai had been refused permission to leave China and that thereafter no exit permits had been issued to Americans in Shanghai.

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